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the Campaign.

PLEASED WITH OUTLOOK CASE OF RETALIATION

WHY THE REPUBLICANS LOST IN HE BLOCKED BILLS FOR INCREAS-THE CITIES.

Rural Vote Was With the Administration-Effect on the Result of the

President's Popularity.

A brief after-election review of the campaign by Chairman Babcock of the republican congressional committee presents some interesting conclusions regarding the lineup of the American people in politics. Representative Babcock has just returned to his Washington residence after closing up the affairs of the committee which under his guiding hand has won five victories for the republican party.

There was nothing to mar the perspective view of Mr. Babcock as he looked in either direction this morning. His ante-election estimates had been realized, and the outlook for his party throughout the country and in Congress was most satisfying.

Republicans Lost in Cities.

"The whole situation sizes up something like this," he remarked, in response to a request for an interview by a Star reporter. "The vote in the cities, which is largely cast by those drawing salaries at a fixed rate or by those receiving day's wages, was influenced against the party in power because the cost of living is somewhat higher, and by reason of the coal strike, it takes more money to buy fuel. In the country the farmer who raises the produce for the city consumer is receiving this addi-

"It was natural, then, to look for losses to the republicans in the cities, and this was the result. The party lost members in Boston, Providence, New York, Baltimore, Chicago, Minneapolis, Omaha, Detroit and San

"But the rural vote of both the east and the west is found to be squarely with the republican party on national issues. Of course, there were some local disturbances of a purely factional character which were felt, as, for instance, in California, and also in Wisconsin, but these do not argue against the complete indorsement by the farmers of America of the republican na-

## The President's Influence.

"Then there was the personal popularity of President Roosevelt. The people in every section of the country regard President Roosevelt as not only absolutely honest and fearless, but as energetic in his efforts to do the things which are for the best interests of the people of the country regardless of what the effect may be on any particular interest. The Tuesday vote was a splendid indorsement of the President.

"The coal strike was like a black cloud on the political horizon. His timely and vig-orous handling of the matter, resulting so satisfactorily, blew that cloud away. There was undoubtedly a loss of votes to the party by reason of the high price of fuel because of the strike, but that loss was nothing in proportion to what it undoubtedly would have been had the 4th of November arrived with the strike still in progress, the price of fuel going up and none in sight. If the cloud which was visible on the horizon had been allowed to come nearer there is no telling what the result might have been.

"One of the very gratifying signs on the times," continued Mr. Babcock, "is the po-litical evolution of the west. Since 1896 the free silver fallacy has been on the wane, and at each election since that time. In 1896 the republican party polled from 20 to 30 per cent of the vote in Idaho and Montana; in 1898 from 30 to 40 per cent; in 1900 45 per cent, and at the Tuesday election it was over 50 per cent, while the two members whom we got from Colorado were entirely unexpected. It is in this section, too, that the influence of the President was felt. His popularity unquestionably had much to do with the vote in these

#### State Factional Difficulties. The loss in the California delegation is

attributed by Chairman Babcock entirely to disaffection in the party over state issues, personal and otherwise. This same element entered into the Wisconsin situation, but in the latter state the majorities which would have had to be wiped out were so large that the result was negative.

In California, however, these majorities Opposes the Return to Neely of \$6,000 were not so large, and the effect was to change the result.

defeat of Representative Mercer of Omaha is attributed by Mr. Babcock not to the efforts of his old-time political an-tagonist, Editor Rosewater, but to the dissatisfaction of the city voters over the higher prices of commodities. "Mercer could have taken care of Rosewater easily enough," remarked Mr. Babcock. "It was the swing of the city vote there, just as in other sections, which defeated him," he de-

Mr. Babcock is not of the opinion that the trust question will be a matter of action by Congress, at least not immediately.

On the subject of the speakership Mr. Babcock preferred not to make a statement. It is known that his friends are urging him to take an active part in the fight on his own behalf, but whether he will accede to these demands will depend on the way events shape themselves in this interesting

#### BOND-HAY TREATY SIGNED. Providing for Reciprocity With New foundland.

Secretary Hay, for the United States, and Sir Michael Herbert, the British ambassador, for Great Britain and the government of Newfoundland, at the State Department this morning signed what is known as the Bond-Hay treaty providing for reciprocity as to fish products and bait. The treaty will be submitted to the Senate as soon as it reassembles, and meanwhile the State Department refrains from making public

## WILL RETURN TO CHICAGO.

Gen. MacArthur Relieved of Command of Department of the East.

Maj. Gen. Arthur MacArthur has been relieved from the temporary command of the department of the east at New York and ordered to return with his authorized aids to Chicago and resume command of the department of the lakes, temporarily in command of Brig. Gen. Bates. Gen. MacArthur is now on a visit to West Point, where his son is a cadet at the Military Academy, and will start for Chicago tomorrow.

This change is in accordance with an arrangement made several months ago, by which Maj. Gen. Chaffee was to assume command of the department of the east on

command of the department of the east on his return from the Philippines. Gen. Chaffee is expected to arrive in San Francisco in a day or two, and will proceed at once to New York. Pending his arrival

# OF VICTORY DEFEAT OF MR. LOUD

Chairman Babcock Reviews Regarded as Due to Letter Carriers' Work.

ING THEIR PAY.

Will Be Used as an Argument Against Government Control of an Industry.

The defeat of Representative Loud for re-election in the fifth California district will give rise to some interesting discussion during the coming session of Congress. It will be interpreted in some of the speeches that will be made in the House as having a significance far beyond anything in relation to Mr. Loud's district.

For several years Mr. Loud has opposed bills introduced in the House for the purpose of increasing the pay of letter carriers. As the chairman of the House committee on post offices and post roads, Mr. Loud's objection was equivalent to the defeat of the measures. The letter carriers have a national association, and it was determined that Mr. Loud should be defeated for reelection, in order that his objection might not stand in the way of the ambition of the carriers. This matter was discussed in their national convention last summer, and after its adjournment their president started westward, and it was widely reported at the time that he was to devote his energies to the defeat of Mr. Loud. The Post Office Department heard about the matter, and the president of the association, who was serving in that capacity while on leave as a letter carrier, was promptly informed that his leave was revoked and he was ordered back to his duties. This official frown on the activity of the carriers, it is said, only suppressed the outward signs of opposition labor organizations took the matter up. They had nominated one of their own number to be the democratic candidate against Mr. Loud, and they elected him.

### Government Control of Industries.

All this is but preliminary to the presentation of the case as it will be made in Congress. The bearing that campaigns of the kind encountered by Mr. Loud will have on the question of public ownership will be discussed. The question of public ownership has been very largely an academic one, so far as Congress is concerned, but it has been brought forward very prominently in connection with the discussion of the anthracite coal trouble, and will be talked of in connection with the trust problem generally.

The fight on Mr. Loud will be of interest in this discussion as a warning against po-litical control of industries if the employes of those industries have power to dictate questions concerning their wages and other conditions by means of a threat to seek the political downfall of any one who, in official position, defeats any measure they may advocate. It will be claimed that what has been done in the case of the chairman of the House committee on post offices and post roads by the influence of the employes of the Post Office Department may be done on a much larger scale if the control of the government is extended to take in other large classes of labor.

If this principle of political activity were

applied to the million employes of the railroads of the country, it is suggested, supposing the railroad systems were under the control of the government, almost any national election could be thrown one way or the other at the bidding of such forces. Whenever the subject of public ownership comes to the front Mr. Loud's experience will be recited by those who oppose such policies.

Importance of the Case. It is stated that this case is the most prominent example of the danger to Fovernment because of extended government control over large bodies of men that has

yet come forward in connection with Con-

Representative Loud will himself take an opportunity to finally lay this matter before the House as a record for future reference. Last winter he made some comment in the House on the fight that was then being made on him, and with considerable feeling declared that if his action on the bills to increase the pay of letter carriers were to result in his defeat he would rather be defeated than be elected, and so

let the issue be made as plain as possible.

## CUBA OBJECTS.

Taken When He Was Arrested.

The Cuban government has made formal objection to the transfer to C. W. F. Neely, convicted of embezzling Cuban postal funds, of the \$6,000 taken from him at the time of his arrest. Neely was pardoned by President Palma under the general amnesty act which marked the inauguration of the new republic. The case is now before the United States court for the southern district of New York. Cuban Minister Quesada says that while the criminal case against Neewly has been dismissed the civil case has not, and pending the settlement of the latter case the Cuban government objects to his getting the money he now claims. The funds are in the custody of the Secretary of War, and he has decided to hold them until the question of ownership has been legally determined.

#### CANDIDATES FOR ANNAPOLIS. Examination to Be Held at Navy Yard November 12.

An examination is to be held November 12 at the Washington navy yard before which will appear the young men recently designated by senators and representatives for appointment as midshipmen to the Naval Academy at Annapolis. This will be the third examination held this year, the forthcoming one having been made necessary by the failure of so large a number to pass at the preceding examinations. While there are about eighty vacancies, only about twenty-six candidates as princi pals and forty-seven as alternates will appear before the board at the navy yard on the 12th; thus a large number must neces-sarily be examined next March. The situation has caused more or less embarrass-ment to the Navy Department, and espe-cially since the demand for officers has been so pressing and continues to grow.

### TWO NAVAL APPOINTMENTS. Successors to Engineer-in-Chief and

Paymaster General.

The President is expected to take up at an early date the matter of the appointment of a successor to Rear Admiral Geo. W. Melville, chief of the bureau of steam engineering, and also a successor to Paymaster General Kenny of the navy, who are nearing the retiring age. There are a num-ber of aspirants for the position of engi-neer-in-chief. The two officers regarded as



## MINISTER WU'S RECALL.

He Notifies the President of His Coming Departure.

Minister Wu has finally served official notice on this government of the change to be made in the Chinese legation here. Today he called at the White House, accompanied by Mr. Tunge, his first secretary of legation, and presented to President Roosevelt his letter of recall. Mr. Wu, acting under instruction from his government, which is desirous that he shall return speedily to China to carry forward the work of preparing the commercial treaties, will return to his home immediately and without awaiting the arrival here of Liung Cheng, who is and who is still in China. Mr. Wu will leave the first secretary, Mr. Tung, in charge of the legation here until the ar-

## WILL LEAVE THE ST. MARY'S. Officers on the School Ship to Return

to the Naval Service. The Navy Department has notified the board of education of New York of its intention to recall the officers of the navy serving on the nautical schoolship St. Mary's January 1 and put them into active naval service. The St. Mary's has just returned from her annual cruise. Her officers are Commander A. V. Wadhams and Lieuts. W. A. Moffatt and Thomas T. Cra-

ven of the navy.

The board of education is opposed to the proposed action, and has asked the influence of the New York chamber of commerce and the maritime exchange to se cure the rescinding of the order.

## TRIBUTE TO THE TROOPS.

Gen. Wade Praises the Soldiers in Southern Philippines.

General Wade, who commands the United States troops in the southern Philippines, in his annual report pays a high tribute to the conduct of the troops there. He says the conduct of the soldiers. The general says: "It is cause for sincere congratulation that from a state of war and military rule the troops have, almost at a day's notice, given up all authority and settled down with so little friction under civil rule among people of an allen and inferior recover." people of an alien and inferior race.'

#### MONTGOMERY'S MURDERERS. Ladrones Who Assassinated the Superintendent Captured.

Adjutant General Corbin received a cablegram this morning from Governor Taft saying that the ladrones who assassinated D. C. Montgomery have been captured. Mr. Montgomery was superintendent of

Personal Mention. Mr. John J. Cummingly of Chicago and Mr. Joseph Magner of San Francisco are

at the Arlington. Mr. S. A. McCleanp of Chicago and Mr. Frank Coxe of Philadelphia are at the New Willard. Mr. Alexander T. Brown of Syracuse, N. Y., and Mr. F. S. Smith of Auburn, N. Y.

are at the Raleigh. Messrs. S. B. and E. F. Hege of this city, A. B. Gleason of Rockville and W. B. Orr of Chambersburg, Pa., have gone on a hunting trip to Highland county, Va., to be hunting trip to Highland county, Va., to be away for two or three weeks.

Mr. David M. McKenzie, paymaster's clerk, U. S. N., who lately returned from a three years' trip to the Philippines and Sydney, Australia, sailed November 1 for San Juan, Porto Rico, to be gone until

## THREATS OF LYNCHING

FOREMAN SHOT BY ENRAGED MINER AT GLEN LYON.

Latter Had Applied for Work and Was Refused a Place in Mines.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., November 8.-Dennis Dorls, foreman at the Susquehanna Coal Company's mines at Glen Lyon, this county, was fatally shot today by a miner named J. C. Hennessy.

Two shots were fired at the foreman, one bullet entering the abdomen and the other the right arm. Hennessy made application for work to Foreman Doris, and the latter refused him

This angered Hennessy, and without any warning he drew a revolver and began firing.

Doris is popular, and there were threats of lynching. Doris cannot recover.

## DECLINED TO LET HIM PLAY. King, Harvard's Big Center, Ruled Out of Today's Game.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., November 8.-The Harvard athletic committee today decided play in today's game against Pennsyl-

varia. Final decision as to King's eligibility has not been made, but the committee, acting on communications received from both Yale and Pennsylvania, deemed it best to disqualify the center from playing in any games until a definite decision as to his eligibility should be reached.

The information against King is that, as

a student at the University of Indiana, he there have been practically no complaints played for four years, which would make from the civil authorities or individuals of him ineligible for further work with any college team under the four-year playing clause.

## SHOT WOMAN HE LOVED.

Then Committed Suicide - Former Will Becover. COLUMBUS, Oblo, November 8.-Having

been refused admittance to her home, Ho-mer Cramer today fred two shots at Miss Almeda Burk and then committed suicide. Miss Burk will reserves. Cramer was it love with Miss Burk.

#### NEW MINISTER TO BRAZIL. the schools in the province of Negros and D. E. Thompson of Nebraska Accepts was killed October 31. President Roosevelt's Offer.

LINCOLN, Neb., November 8.-D. E. Thompson of Lincoln has accepted the appointment of United States minister to Brazil. This place was offered him by the President about a month age. 16. Thompson was caucus candidate for United States senator from Nebraska two years

#### NO CAUSE FOR ALARM. Italy's Exports to United States Great-

ly Exceed Imports.

ROME, November 8 Commenting on the alarm felt in some quarters at the threat-ened inundation of Italy by American goods the Tribuna today points out that the trade returns for September show that Italy's exports to the United States have exceeded

#### CATLE DRIVEN OVERBOARD. To Lighten Norwegian Steamer Fri That Went Aground.

NEW YORK, November 8.-The wrecking steamer Rescue brought the Norwegian steamer Fri into port today from Kinston, Jamaica.

The Fri ran aground August 26 on the Pedro bank, 150 miles from Kingston, on a trip from Carthagena to Clenfuegos with a cargo of cattle and the cattle were driven overboard to lighten the ship. The effort failed and the services of the wrecking steamer had to be obtained. Captain Wagle of the Fri remained aboard until she arrived here today.

## HAD BEEN WITH BOOTH.

Harry Mainhall, Once a Well-Known Actor, Dead.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., November 8.-Harry Mainhall, once a well-known actor, is dead at St. Agnes' Hospital. Mainhall came to Los Angeles six months ago from Arizona, suffering from consumption. He had been associated in former years with Booth, Barrett, Wallack and other well-known actors. He was married to Jeffries Lewis. now on the stage somewhere in the east.

## \$150,000 FIRE AT CAMDEN, N. J. Several Big Manufactories Completely

CAMDEN, N. J., November 8.-The plants of the Nonpariel Cork Manufacturing Comnot to allow E. O. King, the big center, to pany, the Camden Manufacturing Company, manufacturers of chemicals, and Mc-Andrews & Forbes, liquor manufacturers, comprising about a dozen frame buildings, located at Kaighn's Point, in the southern section of this city, were destroyed by fire

Wiped Out.

today. The combined loss is estimated at \$150,000. The burned district covers an area of about three city blocks along the Delaware Results in Arrest of Number of Leadriver. The British steamer Conway, from India, loaded with licorice root, was moored to McAndrews & Forbes' wharf and was saved from destruction by the timely arrival of the Philadelphia fire boat Ashbridge, which towed her to a place of

John Dougherty, fireman on the tug Ashbridge, was badly burned, and was taken to the Cooper Hospital. The origin of the fire is unknown.

#### BACOLOD'S SULTAN FRIENDLY. Writes Letter Disavowing Desire to Make War on Americans.

MANILA, November 8.-The Sultan of Bacolod has sent a letter to Capt. Pershing, commanding the American troops at Camp Vicars, Island of Mindanao, disavowing any desire to make war on the Americans. He denies molesting Americans, and says he is not in possession of stolen American property.

Brig. Gen. Sumner, commander of the department of Mindanao, had been preparing to send a column to Bacolod, but the expedition will probably be abandoned, although the military will watch the sultan and deago, but withdrew in favor of Senator Diet- termine if his friendly assurances are gen-

It is expected that the completion of the Iligan road and the occupation of the north shore of the lake will finally show the at-titude of the Moros. They continue to show as great friendliness as possible.

#### NEW CUBAN RAILROAD. Trains Will Be Running 300 Miles by

Last of Year. CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., November 8.

William G. Ames of Louisville, Ky., a divi-Secretary Hitchcock Returns.

Secretary of the Interior Hitchcock has cludes that Italy has less to fear from the from Sancti Spiritus to Santiago de Cuba returned from St. Louis, where he went to competition of the United States than other by the Cuba Company, is now in the city. at once to New York. Pending his arrival the control of the complete the control of the cast, under the direction of the lieutenant general commanding.

Quite likely candidates for the office of paytote, and George Merriam, telegraph optote, and George Merriam

Over Results of Bye-Elections | Six Candidates for the Speakin England.

FAIL TO MARMONIZE.

Interpreted That Government Would | Considerations That May Influence the Be Defeated Should a General Election Be Held.

LONDON, November 8.-The liberals are ubilant and the unionists are proportionately disgruntled over the results of the bye-elections in the Cleveland and East Toxteth divisions. The large increase in the liberal majority

in the Cleveland division is generally admitted, even by the conservative organs, to be due to dissatisfaction with the education bill, which is still wending its way through the house of commons. In the East Toxteth division the reduc-

tion of the unionist majority by over 1,500 was greatly due to a curious feature unassociated with current political controver-Taylor Supported a Liberal.

Austin Taylor, who just managed to win the seat, had taken a prominent part in Liverpool (to which the division belongs) against the ritualists, whose practices caused the crusade which recently ended in the tragic death of John Kensit, the anti-ritualist leader.
In fact, Mr. Taylor had gone so far as to

support a liberal in a neighboring constit-uency against a conservative high churchman. This stirred up the ritualists of East Toxteth to such an extent that they entered upon a vigorous campaign against Mr. Taylor and prominent unionists issued an appeal for aid for the liberal candidate. Unable to Restore Harmony.

to restore harmony. The curious spectacle was then presented of a liberal, backed up by non-conformists, daily denouncing the clerical tendencies of the education bill, yet having the support of the fashionable clergy and their congregations. Both bye-elections, taken in conjunction with other liberal successes, are interpreted by the organs of the party they favor as being sure signs that the government would

Premier Balfour and Colonial Secretary

Chamberlain intervened, but were unable

## be defeated should a general election be

Brodrick May Retire. This, however, is quite unlikely, and it would take a good many East Toxteths and Clevelands to even appreciably disturb the equanimity of Mr. Balfour's large, solid

majority in the house of commons. In this connection an interesting political rumor is current that War Secretary Brodrick is soon to be gracefully retired with a peerage or some office. There seems but slight ground to believe it is founded on fact.

## SAYS HE SHOT GEN. REYNOLDS. Interesting Story Told by North Caro-

lina Sharpshooter. PHILADELPHIA, November 8.-A Laneaster special to the Public Ledger says: During a visit to North Carolina L. T. Hensel of Quarryville, ex-Attorney General Hensel's brother, met Benjamin C. Thorp, a gentleman of prominence, who told him the story of his shooting Gen. John F. Rey-

nolds at Gettysburg. He was a member of the 55th North Carolina Regiment, and while acting as a sharpshooter at Cashtown was directed by Capt. Webb to try a shot at a general offi-cer who was directing a battery into action. Thorp fired twice and Wabb exclaim-"Well done, you have got him." officer shot was Gen. Reynolds, so Thorp

## AGED WOMAN KILLED.

Skull Was Fractured With a Blunt Instrument.

NEW YORK, November 8 .- Mary Ann McCusker, sixty years old, was found dead in bed at her home in this city today. She had been killed by some unknown person with a blunt instrument. The woman's skull was fractured.

Her husband, Patrick, seventy years old, is under arrest. The aged couple occupied two rooms in a tenement, of which Mrs. McCusker was the housekeeper. McCusker, who was formerly an umbrella peddler and had a small pension as a war veteran, went to a police station this morn-ing and said his wife was dead.

## ANOTHER CARLIST PLOT.

ers of Movement. BARCELONA, Spain, November 8.-The discovery of another Carlist plot here has been followed by the arrest of a number

of the leaders of the movement. Apparently its immediate object was to secure funds for future operations, the plan being to raise the standard of revolt and reap a profit in bourse transactions by operating for a fall in prices.

## COLMAN'S KIDNAPING CASE. Captain of Stranded Steamer Venture

is Still in Custody. VICTORIA, B. C., November 8 .- The steamer Venture, which struck on Hodgson shoals, off Tugmell Island, during a fog on October 11, has been floated, and has ar-

Capt. Colman, accused of kidnaping his daughter from his divorced wife at San Francisco, is still held here, despite the efforts of his attorneys to secure his release

rived here.

An order has been made detaining the child as a necessary witness, it being al-leged that efforts were being made to spirit the child away. The extradition proceed-ings commence today.

#### THREE KILLED IN COLLISION. Freight Crashes Into Work Trains With Fatal Result.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., November 8.-In collision between a freight train and a work train on the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton railroad, three miles east of the city this morning, two men were killed and seven were injured. One of the injured, whose legs were cut off, will die. The dead are:

John Veech of Genesee, Mich., craneman on worktrain. "Bud" Foutz, Montezuma, Ind., worktrain

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## UNIONISTS ABASHED QUESTIONS INVOLVED

BALFOUR AND CHAMBERLAIN TARIFF REVISION AND COM-MITTEE CHAIRMANSHIPS.

> Vote of Delegations-The "Insurgents" Attitude.

For Speaker of the House of Represent

ives, Fifty-eighth Congress: Mr. Joseph G. Cannon of Illinois.

Mr. Joseph W. Babcock of Wisconsin. Mr. John Dalzell of Pennsylvania.

Mr. James S. Sherman of New York. Mr. Charles E. Littlefield of Maine.

Mr. Sereno E. Payne of New York. And several dark horses. These are the parties to the contest for the office second in power only to that of the President of the United States, a contest that is now in full swing, and which promises to be one of the liveliest speakership fights in recent years. All of the gentlemen named are in the fight for the office, if possible to obtain it. Some of them undoubtedly will, according to the strength they develop, secure better committee as-

### ter consideration is by no means unimpor-Effect of Tariff Consideration.

signments in the next Congress. The lat-

In congressional quarters the opinion is widely entertained that the speakership fight is soon to become involved with the question of tariff revision. The disposition of the chairmanship of the committee on appropriations and of the committee on ways and means will also enter into the

quation. The two candidates most likely to be affected by tariff considerations are Mr. Bab-cock and Mr. Dalzell. Mr. Babcock is an advocate of the scaling down of some of the alleged unnecessary duties of the present tariff law. He has the sentiment of the west with him, he believes, and he also is of the opinion that practical revision, along republican protection lines, will be popular in some parts of the east. Mr. Payne, Mr. Dalzell and Mr. Sherman are regarded as ultra-protectionists. They would not touch the tariff until the last horn blows. Mr. Cannon and Mr. Littlefield have not de-cared themselves very positively on the tariff revision question, but both are keen of hearing when their ears are to the sentiment very carefully on that subject. Some persons prominent in congressional circles think that a "show-down" on the tariff question will be demanded by the several delegations in Congress before the con-

#### test proceeds much further. Conflicting Views.

It is interesting to note the conflicting claims put forward by the two tariff factions as to the significance of the Congress elections last Tuesday. The ultra-protectionists loudly proclaim that the result of the elections shows that the people have taken Senator Hanna's advice to "stand pat," and will demand a continuance of existing tariff and administrative conditions

for another term.

The revisionists for their part insist that as pledges were made to the people of the west that the tariff would be revised along protection lines if they would withhold their support from free-trade heresies, it now is the duty of the republican party to fulfill those pledges or suffer the resentment of the people in the next election.

These varying analyses of the significance of the election will be put forth by the op-posing factions and the common, every-day

### representative will have to make up his mind according to the belief of his constituents and vote for Speaker accordingly.

Committee Assignments. The relative weight of the chairmanship assignments is being eagerly discussed in congressional circles in connection with the speakership contest. Assuming that Mr. Cannon should win the speaker's gavel, the first vacancy would be in the chairmanship of the committee on appropriations. General Bingham of Pennsylvania is second on that committee, but as he would have espoused the cause of Mr. Dalzell, he probably would be put aside, it is said. That brings Mr. Hemenway of Indiana next in line. The greeness see that it is said. in line. The gossips say that it is useless to deny that the prospect of securing the chairmanship of appropriations committee for their state could not be put lightly aside by the Indiana delegation, and therefore, that Indiana may safely be counted as going into the caucus with Illinois.

If Mr. Cannon is chosen, it is by no means assured, it is said, that he will retain the present composition of the ways and means committee. Some other candidate might be so strong in the caucus and his forces so obdurate for their choice that it might be necessary in the assignments of chairmanships to gratefully remember the turn of those delegations in the de-cisive voting and award the chairmanship of ways and means to the man who had

#### led them. Possible Resentments.

Another element likely to enter into the contest, so far as Mr. Payne and Mr. Dalzell are concerned, is the possible resentment of the old "insurgent" faction in the House. It will be recalled that an influential section of the House last winter murmured greatly against the rule of the Payne-Dalzell-Grosvenor-Henderson party, as they were called. On one or two occasions the insurgents manifested their feeling by voting down the leaders. It is not at all certain that the smoldering embers of resentment will not blaze up in the west

and determine some of the old members of the House in their choice for Speaker. The many views that can be taken of the ontest, the various and sometimes conflicting equations entering into it and per-sonal, geographical, and above all economic reasons, contribute to make this an intensely interesting battle, the outcome of which s not yet in sight.

## FATHER AUGUSTINE'S DEATH.

Result of Investigation Into Administration of the "Water Cure."

An investigation that has been made by the War Department into the allegation by the anti-imperialistic committee, delivered at the Lake George conference, to the effect that Father Augustine, a Catholic priest, was killed by the water cure in the Philippines, has apparently confirmed the main fact, that the man died as the result of the administration of the cure, but it has also been found that the persons who administered the cure to secure insurgent funds of which he was the custodian were volunteer soldiers and are now beyond the reach of military justice, having been mus-

## The Cholera in Egypt.

tered out.